

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Harrington *et al.*

Application No: 09/513,997

Filed: February 25, 2000

For: **COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS
FOR NON-TARGETED ACTIVATION
OF ENDOGENOUS GENES**

Group Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: Shukla, R.

Attorney Docket No.: 0221-0003Q

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY REMARKS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In advance of prosecution and further to the Office Action dated August 23, 2001, Applicants request that the Examiner consider the following preliminary remarks prior to examination of the above-identified application.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0622.

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